

REMARKS

The present Amendment cancels claims 6 and 15-19 without prejudice; amends claims 1, 7, 11, 14, 20, and 21; and adds new claims 22-34. Upon entry of this Amendment, claims 1-5, 7-14, and 20-34 will be pending and in condition for allowance, and there will be a total of twenty-eight claims pending, of which claims 1, 7, 11, 20, and 31 are independent. If any additional fees are deemed to be necessary, please charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 061910 accordingly.

The claim objections and rejection with respect to claims 15-19 are rendered moot with the cancellation of these claims. In addition, the claim rejection to claim 21 under Section 112(b), second paragraph is believed to be in error as there is no mention of the term “rollover protective structure” in claim 21. Further, the rejections under Section 103(b) are rendered moot by virtue of amendments made to claims 1, 7, 11, and 20.

- Claim 1, as amended, incorporates the subject matter of allowable claim 6, thereby placing claim 1 (and original claims 2-5, and 10 and new claims 22-24 depending therefrom) in condition for allowance.
- Claim 7 is rewritten in independent form, incorporating all the limitations of claim 1. With claim 7 having been found to contain allowable subject matter, claims dependent to it (original claims 8-9 and new claims 25-30) should be in condition for allowance.
- Claims 11 and 20, as amended, both incorporate the allowable subject matter of previously pending claim 6, thereby placing claim 11 (and claims 12-14 depending therefrom) and claim 20 (and claim 21 depending therefrom) in condition for allowance.

- Claim 31 is added as a new claim, using all the limitations of previously pending claim 11 and incorporating the allowable subject matter of previously pending claim 7, thereby placing new claim 31 (and new claims 32-34 depending therefrom) in condition for allowance.

By canceling claims 6 and 15-19 without prejudice, all the pending claims should be in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if the Examiner believes it would be useful to advance prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,



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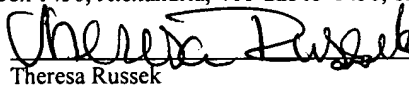
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